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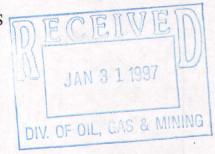
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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ANNUAL REPORT OF MINING OPERATIONS

The informational requirements of this form are based on provisions of the Mined Land Reclamation Act, Title 40-8, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended, and the General Rules as promulgated under the Utah Minerals Regulatory Program. An operator conducting mining operations under a Notice of Intention must file an annual operations and progress report (FORM MR-AR) with the Division.

Gene	<u>eral Information</u>
1.	Report Time Period: From (mo./yr.) 01/96 To (mo./yr.) 12/96
2.	DOGM File Number (Mine No): M /053/004
3.	Mine Name: APEX MINE
4.	Mineral(s) Mined (or permitted to mine): GERMANIUM, GALLIUM, COPPER
5.	Type of mine ☐ Surface Mine or ☑ Underground Mine
6.	Legal Description (Location of Lands Affected):
	SE 1/4, SE 1/4, Section 1, Township 435, Range 18W
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7.	Name of Operator or Company: HECLA MINING CO.
8.	Permanent Street Address: 6500 MINERAL DR.
	City, State, Zip: COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO 83814
	Phone: (208) 769 .4157
9.	Company Representative (or designated operator):
	Name: ALAN WILSON
	Title: SR. RECLAMATION ENGR.
	Business Address: 6500 MINERAL DR.
	City, State, Zip: COEUR D'ALENE, 10 83814
	Phone: (208) 769 -4157
	Please check if any of the above information has changed since previous year.
<u>Mini</u>	ng and Reclamation
1.	Was the mine active during the past year? Yes □ No 🗷
2	If active how much ore or mineral was mined?
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-	3. How much additional acreage was disturbed during the past year? NONE
	4. Briefly describe any new or additional surface disturbances that occurred during the past year. This description should include the type of work performed, and volume of material moved. NONE
5.	How much acreage was reclaimed during the past year?NONE
6.	Briefly describe the reclamation work performed during the past year. This description should include methods employed, and an evaluation of the results.
	NONE
7.	What is the total disturbed acreage at years end?
8.	Briefly summarize any mining and/or reclamation plans for the upcoming year. THE MINING OPERATION HAS REEN SOLD, TRANSFER
	DOCUMENTS ARE CURRENTLY BEING PROCESSED
NOTE:	Section III., "Additional Information" applies only to large mining operations.
III. Addition	nal Information
1.	An updated surface facilities map should be attached if there have been significant changes since the previous map was submitted.
2.	Any monitoring results or other reports that are required under the terms of the approved notice of intention should also be attached.
IV. Signatur	re Requirement
I he	reby certify that the foregoing is true and correct.
	Name (Typed or Print): ALAN E. WILSON
	Title of Operator: SR. RECLAMATION ENGR.
	Signature of Operator: Ala E. Wiln
	Date: 1/29/97
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